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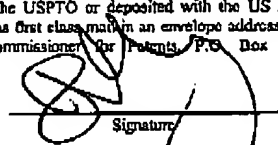
PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	<b>Belluomini <i>et al.</i></b>	§	Art Unit:	<b>3629</b>
Serial No.:	<b>09/891343</b>	§	Examiner:	<b>Brooks</b>
Filed:	<b>June 26, 2001</b>	§	Attorney Docket:	<b>AUS9 2001 0349 US1</b>
For:	<b>Method and System for Managing Innovation by Encouraging Reusability and Subsequent Reuse of Design Components</b>	§		

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February 7, 2006  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 7, 2005**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the office action dated October 7, 2005 (the "Office Action") in the above referenced patent application after careful consideration to address the issues raised therein and to highlight why the case is believed to be in condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

A petition extending the period for response is submitted herewith.